





# FY 2023 MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET-ASIDE PROGRAM

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## **Overview**

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# **TA Set Aside Background**

 PURPOSE: A federal formula program that provides funding to projects considered "alternatives" to traditional highway construction

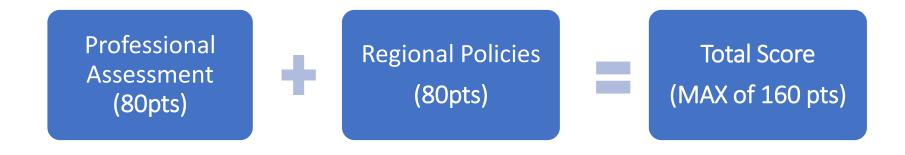
#### FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION

- MAP-21 (2012) Established as the "Transportation Alternatives Program"
- FAST Act (2015) Renamed "Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside"
- IIJA (2021) Increased funding
- **TPB ROLE**: Large MPOs are sub-allocated funds and given the responsibility for selecting projects for those funds



## **TPB TAP Selection Process**

- Selection panel included staff from DDOT, VDOT, and the TPB. Staff from MDOT served as technical a resource.
- Panel members individually scored projects.



 The selection panel used the average scores as a basis for discussion. However, the final recommendations were based on consensus.



# Maryland FY 2022 Schedule

April 15 - May 16
 Application period

June 30 TPB Selection Panel makes

recommendations for the TPB's MPO

suballocation

July 20 TPB approval of project using MPO

suballocation

August-September MDOT will make selections with statewide

funds



# **Maryland Project Recommendations**

• Combined Funding Request: \$7,248,053

• Funds Available to TPB: \$5,169,450

• Recommended for Funding: \$5,169,450



# **Maryland Applications**

#### FY 2023 TA Set-Aside Applications in Maryland from the National Capital Region **Application Title** Locality Type of **TA Request TA Request** (w/10% Request mgmt cost) City of **Downtown Connectivity Study Feasibility** \$436,000 \$479,600 Frederick Frederick Frederick & Pennsylvania Line Railroad \$4,800,000 Construction \$5,280,000 Trail (F&PL Trail) County Frederick New Design Road Side Path, Phase 2 Design \$480,000 \$528,000 County Frederick Traffic Calming Feasibility Study - Catoctin Feasibility \$113,957 \$125,353 **Furnace Historic District** County City of West 7th Street Bicycle Lane Design \$336,580 Design \$305,982 Frederick Twinbrook SRTS & Transit Access City of **Feasibility** \$312,000 \$343,200 Feasibility Study Rockville Town of Riverdale ES Pedestrian Way SRTS Design \$21,200 \$23,320 Riverdale Park **TOTAL** \$6,589,139 \$7,248,053



## **Maryland Project Recommendation**

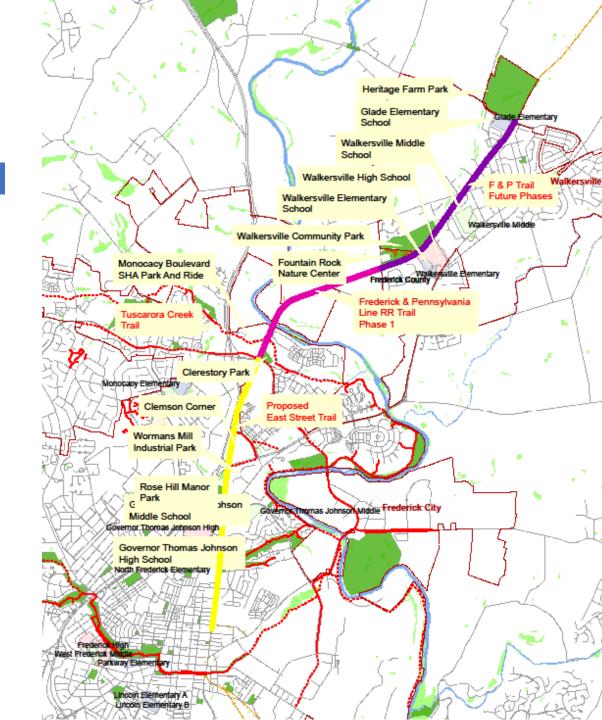
Application Title	Locality	Type of Request	TA Request	TA Request (w/10% mgmt cost)
Frederick & Pennsylvania Line Railroad Trail (F&PL Trail)	Frederick County	Construction	\$4,800,000	\$5,280,000



# Frederick & Pennsylvania Line Rail Trail

- Construct 1.8-mile trail
- Portion of the National Capital Trail
   Network
- Highest-priority trail project for the county
- Connections:
  - East Street Trailin Frederick
  - SHA Park & Ride





## **F&PL: Rails with Trails**





### Recommendation

- Adopt Resolution R1-2023 to:
  - Provide \$5.28 million in federal TA Set-Aside funds to the Frederick and Pennsylvania Line Rail Trail in Frederick County
  - Encourage MDOT, using the statewide TA Set-Aside allocation, to fund:
    - Twinbrook SRTS & Transit Access Feasibility Study City of Rockville
    - West 7th Street Protected Bicycle Lane 100% Design City of Frederick
    - Traffic Calming Feasibility Study Catoctin Furnace Historic District
       Frederick County
    - Downtown Connectivity Study
       City of Frederick



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